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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Pasqualoni et al.

Serial No.: 09/845,549

For: A CHEMICAL MECHANICAL POLISHING SLURRY
COMPOSITION FOR POLISHING CONDUCTIVE AND NON-
CONDUCTIVE LAYERS ON SEMICONDUCTOR WAFERS

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. 121

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed on September 12, 2002 for the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-31 are currently pending in the application. The Office Action has stated that a restriction to either Group I (claims 1-29) or Group II (claims 30-31) is required. Applicants respectfully traverse because each of the Groups as set forth in the Office Action have the common invention set forth in claims 1-29, namely a slurry composition for CMP polishing having a dispersion with an abrasive and an oxidizer.



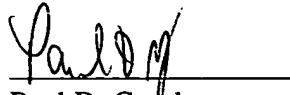
Notwithstanding the foregoing, to comply fully with the restriction requirement,
applicants elect with traverse to prosecute the invention of Group I, which includes
claims 1-29, drawn to a slurry composition.

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Respectfully submitted,

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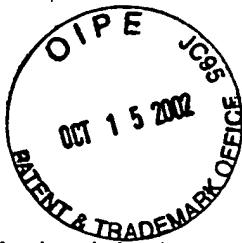
Transmitted herewith is a Response to a Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$ _____ to extend the time for filing this response until _____.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	29	Minus	31	0	x \$18.00	\$
Independent Claims	3	Minus	4	0	x \$84.00	\$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE					x \$280.00 = \$	
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES					\$0.00	

The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$ 0.00.



A check in the amount of \$ 0.00 is attached.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

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